



UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
January 2023 Grand Jury

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
Plaintiff,
v.
RYAN PAUL LEVIHN-COON,
Defendant.

CR No. 2:23-cr-00629-JAK

I N D I C T M E N T

[18 U.S.C. § 1344(2): Bank Fraud;
18 U.S.C. § 1028A(a)(1):
Aggravated Identity Theft;
18 U.S.C. § 1705: Breaking Open
and Injuring Mail Receptacles;
18 U.S.C. § 1708: Mail Theft]

The Grand Jury charges:

COUNTS ONE THROUGH FIVE

[18 U.S.C. § 1344(2)]

A. INTRODUCTORY ALLEGATIONS

At times relevant to this Indictment:

1. Partners Federal Credit Union was a financial institution insured by the National Credit Union Administration.

2. Wells Fargo, N.A., Citibank, N.A., Banc of California, Partners Federal Credit Union, Citizens Bureau Bank, and JP Morgan Chase Bank ("Chase") (collectively with Partners Federal Credit

1 Union, the "Financial Institutions") were financial institutions
2 insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

3 3. Defendant RYAN PAUL LEVIHN-COON operated and controlled the
4 following two accounts in his name at Fidelity Investments, a
5 financial services corporation based in Boston, Massachusetts: (1) a
6 cash management account ending in -0191; and (2) a brokerage services
7 account ending in -8229 (collectively, the "Fidelity Accounts").

8 B. THE SCHEME TO DEFRAUD

9 4. Beginning on a date unknown to the Grand Jury, but no later
10 than on or about April 13, 2022, and continuing through at least on
11 or about October 17, 2022, in Los Angeles County, within the Central
12 District of California, and elsewhere, defendant LEVIHN-COON,
13 knowingly and with intent to defraud, executed a scheme to obtain
14 monies, funds, assets, and other property owned by and under the
15 custody and control of the Financial Institutions by means of
16 materially false and fraudulent pretenses, representations, and
17 promises, and the concealment of material facts.

18 5. The fraudulent scheme operated and was carried out, in
19 substance, in the following manner:

20 a. Defendant LEVIHN-COON would break into the community
21 mailboxes in the mailroom of the Tesoro del Valle Apartments located
22 at 2301 Humboldt Street in Los Angeles, California.

23 b. Defendant LEVIHN-COON would steal mail belonging to
24 residents of the Tesoro del Valle Apartments from the community
25 mailboxes.

26 c. When defendant LEVIHN-COON found a check in the stolen
27 mail, defendant LEVIHN-COON would, without authorization, endorse the
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1 check to be paid to defendant LEVIHN-COON and forge the signature of
 2 the check's intended recipient.

3 d. Defendant LEVIHN-COON would deposit the stolen and
 4 modified checks, drawn from the Financial Institutions, into
 5 defendant LEVIHN-COON's Fidelity Accounts. In doing so, defendant
 6 LEVIHN-COON falsely represented to the Financial Institutions that he
 7 was an authorized payee of the check and had authority to deposit the
 8 checks and concealed from the Financial Institutions that defendant
 9 LEVIHN-COON was not the intended payee and did not have authority to
 10 possess and deposit the checks.

11 e. Defendant LEVIHN-COON would spend the fraudulently
 12 obtained funds deposited in defendant LEVIHN-COON's Fidelity Accounts
 13 by making purchases using a Fidelity debit card.

14 C. EXECUTIONS OF THE FRAUDULENT SCHEME

15 6. On or about the following dates, in Los Angeles County,
 16 within the Central District of California, and elsewhere, defendant
 17 LEVIHN-COON committed the following acts, each of which constituted
 18 an execution of the fraudulent scheme:

COUNT	DATE	ACT
ONE	April 13, 2022	Deposit of a stolen and altered check issued to R.I.G. in the amount of \$165.71 into defendant LEVIHN-COON's Fidelity account ending in 8229.
TWO	July 19, 2022	Deposit of a stolen and altered check issued to E.Q. in the amount of \$197.34 into defendant LEVIHN-COON's Fidelity account ending in 0191.
THREE	July 21, 2022	Deposit of a stolen and altered check issued to M.C. in the amount of \$350.00 into defendant LEVIHN-COON's Fidelity account ending in 0191.

COUNT	DATE	ACT
FOUR	August 21, 2022	Deposit of a stolen and altered check issued to C.B. in the amount of \$150.00 into defendant LEVIHN-COON's Fidelity account ending in 0191.
FIVE	October 17, 2022	Deposit of a stolen and altered check issued to C.G. in the amount of \$2,270.74 into defendant LEVIHN-COON's Fidelity account ending in 8229.

1 COUNT SIX

2 [18 U.S.C. § 1028A(a)(1)]

3 On or about October 17, 2022, in Los Angeles County, within the
4 Central District of California, defendant RYAN PAUL LEVIHN-COON
5 knowingly possessed and used, without lawful authority, a means of
6 identification that defendant LEVIHN-COON knew belonged to another
7 person, namely, the name of victim C.G., during and in relation to
8 the offense of Bank Fraud, a felony violation of Title 18, United
9 States Code, Section 1344(2), as charged in Count Five of this
10 Indictment.

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1 COUNTS SEVEN AND EIGHT

2 [18 U.S.C. § 1705]

3 On or about the following dates, in Los Angeles County, within
4 the Central District of California, defendant RYAN PAUL LEVIHN-COON
5 willfully and maliciously injured and broke open authorized mail
6 receptacles, namely, community mailboxes located at the Tesoro de
7 Valle Apartments at 2301 Humboldt Street in Los Angeles, California,
8 which were intended and used for the receipt and delivery of mail
9 matter on a route of the United States Postal Service:

COUNT	DATE
SEVEN	August 19, 2022
EIGHT	August 20, 2022

1 COUNTS NINE AND TEN

2 [18 U.S.C. § 1708]

3 On or about the following dates, in Los Angeles County, within
4 the Central District of California, defendant RYAN PAUL LEVIHN-COON
5 stole, took, and abstracted mail and mail matter from and out of a
6 letter box, mail receptacle, mail route, and authorized depository
7 for mail matter, namely, community mailboxes located at the Tesoro
8 del Valle Apartments at 2301 Humboldt Street in Los Angeles,

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1 California, with the intent to deprive the owners of the mail and
 2 mail matter, temporarily and permanently, of its use and benefit:

COUNT	DATE	MAIL RECEPTACLE LOCATION
NINE	August 19, 2022	Tesoro del Valle Apartments, 2301 Humboldt Street, Los Angeles, California 90031
TEN	August 20, 2022	Tesoro del Valle Apartments, 2301 Humboldt Street, Los Angeles, California 90031

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